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## Fwd: notes on repeal of ABA reporting requirement

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Hi Angie,

A portion of the FOIA request from Mr. Scott McFarlane deals with GSA's reporting requirements relative to 42 U.S.C. 4157 et seq (Public Law 90-480, The Architectural Barriers Act of August 12, 1968, Amended Through 1978) and requests copies of the reports submitted by GSA to Congress in 2015 and, if applicable, 2016, relative to the ABA. The reporting requirements of Section 7 of the ABA were terminated by Congress, effective May 15, 2000. Please see the email below that I received this afternoon from Lisa Fairhall, Deputy General Counsel for the United States Access Board regarding the termination of the reporting requirements.

Regards,

Tom

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Hi, Tom. Outlook was taking forever to open, so I decided to send this using my gmail.

The link to the electronic USCA is at

<https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/42/4157>

The link is to the codified version of Sec. 7 of the ABA. This was the reporting requirement. The USCA shows this section as "omitted" which generally means it was repealed.

The notes to the section confirm this -- see the note which I have pasted below, which indicates that the reporting requirement was repealed effective May 15, 2000.

## 42 U.S. Code § 4157 - Omitted

### CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 90–480, § 7, as added Pub. L. 94–541, title II, § 201(7), Oct. 18, 1976, 90 Stat. 2508; amended Pub. L. 103–437, § 15(n), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4593, which required the Administrator of General Services to report to Congress during the first week of January of each year on his activities and those of other departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Federal Government under this chapter during the preceding fiscal year and required the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board established by section 792 of title 29 to report to the Public Works and Transportation Committee of the House of Representatives and the Environment and Public Works Committee of the Senate during the first week of January of each year on its activities and actions to insure compliance with the standards prescribed under this chapter, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104–66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, item 6 on page 155 and item 10 on page 173 of House Document No. 103–7.

Hope this is helpful.

-Lisa